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Applicant : Operowsky, *et al.*
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PETITION TO REVIVE PATENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)

MAILSTOP PETITION
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants request that the above-identified patent application, which was unintentionally abandoned for failure to prosecute, be revived. A Request for Continued Examination and Response to Final Office Action, including claim amendments, accompanies this Petition.

STATEMENT

Applicants hereby state that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of this Petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

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The Examiner is authorized to charge the \$1,500.00 fee for this Petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m) and all other fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0951. It is not believed that an extension of time is required; however, if so, the Examiner is authorized to charge a three month extension of time fee to Deposit Account 50-0951.

Reinstatement of the subject patent application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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